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Washington, D.C. 20231Prior Application: Art Unit: **Not Assigned**
Examiner: **L. Smith**JC868 U.S. PTO
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SIR: This is a request for filing a

■ Continuation Continuation-in-Part Divisional Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 09/485,536 filed February 14, 2000 of Brigitte GICQUEL et al. for POLYPEPTIDE NUCLEIC SEQUENCES EXPORTED FROM MYCOBACTERIA, VECTORS COMPRISING SAME, AND USES FOR DIAGNOSING AND PREVENTING TUBERCULOSIS.

1. ■ Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application, including the drawings, as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. 09/485,536 as originally filed on February 14, 2000, which is incorporated herein by reference.
2. Enclosed is a substitute specification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.125.
3. Enclosed is a Request for Non-Publication of Application and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. § 1.22(b)(2)(B)(i).
4. ■ Cancel Claims 2-74.
5. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
6. ■ The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 4 and 5 above.

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Basic Application Filing Fee				\$710	\$ 710.00
	Number of Claims	Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	1	- 20	0	x \$18	710.00
Independent Claims	1	- 3	0	x \$80	
[] Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)				+\$270	
				Subtotal	\$ 710.00
				Reduction by 1/2 if small entity	-
				TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE	\$ 710.00

7. A check in the amount of \$710.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

8. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, or credit any overpayment during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

9. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line, the sentence:

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--This is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/485,536, filed February 14, 2000, which is incorporated herein by reference.--

10. New formal drawings are enclosed.

11. The prior application is assigned of record to: _____.

12. Priority of application Serial No. _____, filed on _____ in _____ (country) is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy
 is enclosed or is on file in the prior application.

13. A verified statement claiming small entity status
 is enclosed or is on file in the prior application.

14. The power of attorney in the prior application is to at least one of the following: FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P., Douglas B. Henderson, Reg. No. 20,291; Ford F. Farabow, Jr., Reg. No. 20,292.

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15. The power appears in the original declaration of the prior application.

16. Since the power does not appear in the original declaration, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

17. This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration.

18. Please address all correspondence to FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT and DUNNER, L.L.P., 1300 I Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005-3315, **Customer Number 22,852**.

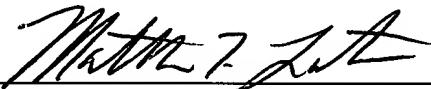
19. Recognize as associate attorney _____
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20. Also enclosed is _____

PETITION FOR EXTENSION. If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in the parent application, Serial No. 09/485,536, filed February 14, 2000, for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the parent application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for use in charging the deposit account.

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